

REMARKS

A brief telephone conference was held on June 16, 2008 between applicants' representative George S. Blasiak and Examiner Uyen Chau N Le regarding an Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") dated February 29, 2008. The Examiner confirmed that the cited information of the IDS was in fact considered by the Examiner prior to issuance of the present application. The Examiner explained that the citations were not initialed per a new provision of the Office allowing an indication of consideration to be made with the statement: "All references considered except where lined through," as appearing on the February 29, 2008 IDS. The Examiner's procedure for indicating consideration appears to be consistent with a procedure described in O.G., 11 Sep 2007 *Electronic Signatures and Initials by Office Personnel Permitted in Application, Patent, and Reexamination Proceeding Matters*.

Further, the Examiner indicated that the Examiner would initial the cited information of the February 29, 2008 IDS to provide further indication that the references were considered.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0289.

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